



ILLINOIS MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PROVIDER BULLETIN

October 6, 2003

TO: Enrolled Hospitals – Chief Executive Officers, Chief Financial Officers, and Patient Accounts Managers; and Renal Dialysis Facilities

RE: UPDATES TO RENAL DIALYSIS INJECTABLE DRUG COVERAGE AND RATES

The department currently allows an add-on payment for certain injectable drugs billed on UB-92 outpatient renal dialysis claims (category of service 25). This bulletin identifies changes the department has made to drug coverage and rates. These changes do not affect the State Renal Program.

Effective with dates of service on or after January 1, 2003, the department will provide reimbursement for the following new HCPCS injectable drug codes:

- J2501 - Injection, Paricalcitol, (Zemlar) 1 mcg.
- J2916 – Injection, Sodium Ferric Gluconate Complex in Sucrose, (Ferrlecit) 12.5 mg.
- J0636 – Injection, Calcitriol, (Calcijex) 0.1 mcg.

Effective with dates of service on or after October 1, 2003, the following HCPCS injectable drug codes are obsolete and will no longer be reimbursable:

- J0635 – Injection, Calcitriol, (Calcijex) 1 mcg.
- J2500 – Injection, Paricalcitol, (Zemlar) 5 mcg.
- J2915 – Injection, Sodium Ferric Gluconate Complex in Sucrose, (Ferrlecit) 62.5 mg/5 cc
- J1755 – Injection, Iron Sucrose, (Venofer) 20 mg/cc
- W0237 – Injection, Paricalcitol, (Zemlar) 1 mcg.

As with other covered injectable drugs, providers must utilize revenue code 636 (Drugs Requiring Detailed Coding) in Form Locator 42 of the UB-92 to denote the drug revenue line, and indicate the HCPCS code in Form Locator 44. These new codes and corresponding rates are identified in the attached table.

This bulletin and replacement page for the Handbook for Hospitals referencing the drug coverage changes are available on the department's Web site at http://www.state.il.us/dpa/provider_release_bulletins.htm. Since the department revised coverage or rate information for every drug identified in the table, these revisions are acknowledged by a single "=" to the left of the title line in the table. Please note that the Handbook for Hospitals is not currently available on the Web site.

Paper copies of the replacement page, as well as an entire handbook, may be obtained by written request. To ensure delivery, you must specify a physical street address when requesting a paper copy. You may submit your written request to the address below, or fax or e-mail it as noted:

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Instructions for updating the Handbook for Hospitals:

Replace page one of Appendix H-18 dated July 2002 with the attached revised page one dated September 2003. Providers may wish to retain the July 2002 page as a reference.

=RENAL DIALYSIS INJECTABLE DRUG HCPCS CODES AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

DRUG	DOSAGE/ UNITS	MAXIMUM DOSAGE/ UNITS PER VISIT	HCPCS	RATE EFF. DATE	RATE	COVERAGE END DATE
Calcitriol (Calcijex)	1 mcg 1 unit	4 mcg 4 units	J0635	01/01/03	\$16.30	09/30/03
Cefazolin Sodium	500 mg 1 unit	2 gm 4 units	J0690	10/01/03	\$1.85	
Cefoxitin Sodium	1 gm 1 unit	2 gm 2 units	J0694	10/01/03	\$9.54	
Gentamicin Sulfate	80 mg 1 unit	400 mg 5 units	J1580	10/01/03	\$0.72	
Vancomycin	500 mg 1 unit	2 gm 4 units	J3370	10/01/03	\$7.44	
Tobramycin Sulfate	80 mg 1 unit	400 mg 5 units	J3260	10/01/03	\$5.74	
Vitamin K/ Aquamephyton	10 mg 1 unit	50 mg 5 units	J3430	10/01/03	\$4.40	
Iron Dextran	50 mg/cc 1 unit	100 mg/2 cc 2 units	J1750	10/01/03	\$16.02	
Paricalcitol (Zemplar)	1 mcg 1 unit	2 mcg 2 units	W0237	01/01/03	\$6.30	09/30/03
Paricalcitol (Zemplar)	5 mcg 1 unit	20 mcg 4 units	J2500	01/01/03	\$32.70	09/30/03
Sodium Ferric Gluconate Complex in Sucrose (Ferrlecit)	62.5 mg/5 cc 1 unit	125 mg/10 cc 2 units	J2915	01/01/03	\$48.75	09/30/03
Doxercalciferol (Hectoral)	1 mcg/0.5 cc 1 unit	6 mcg/3 cc 6 units	J1270	10/01/03	\$6.01	
Venofer	20 mg/cc 1 unit	100 mg/5 cc 5 units	J1755	01/01/03	\$15.60	09/30/03
Cathflo Activase	1 mg 1 unit	4 mg 4 units	J2997	10/01/03	\$28.79	
Paricalcitol (Zemplar)	1 mcg 1 unit	20 mcg 20 units	J2501	01/01/03	\$5.74	
Sodium Ferric Gluconate Complex in Sucrose (Ferrlecit)	12.5 mg 1 unit	125 mg 10 units	J2916	01/01/03	\$8.56	
Calcitriol (Calcijex)	0.1 mcg 1 unit	4 mcg 40 units	J0636	01/01/03	\$1.35	

The above table identifies the lowest amount for a dosage of the drug. If the dose given is less than the amount listed for the dosage of the drug, the units field, Form Locator 46, must reflect one dose. If the dosage is one plus a portion of the amount listed, the dosage must be rounded up to the nearest whole number.